

RESOLUTION

Wild Horse and Burro Protection in Northern Nevada

WHEREAS, Nevada is home to more than half of the Nations wild horse population; and

WHEREAS, Wild horses and burros are living symbols of our American Western heritage as represented by the depiction of wild horses on the Nevada State quarter; and

WHEREAS, The Wild and Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971 covers the management, protection and study of feral horses and burros on federal land; and

WHEREAS, Portions of Washoe, Storey and Lyon counties include habitat for wild horse populations outside of the jurisdiction and protection of The Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971 and under the responsibility of the State of Nevada; and,

WHEREAS, Residents within Washoe County are passionate about the management, protection and preservation of the wild horse population; and

WHEREAS, State statute allows the State to enter into cooperative agreements with public entities and non-profits for the management, control, placement of wild horses and burros; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Washoe County supports the implementation of humane management cooperative agreements between private non-profits and public agencies to address the management of wild horses and burros not protected by federal law.

DATED this 9th day of December, 2014.

David Humke, Chairman
Washoe County Commission

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